Moulton (Beyer) Porter (Wexton) Raskin (Jayapal) Reed (Kelly (PA)) Rogers (KY) (Reschenthaler) Roybal-Allard (Correa)

Rush (Jeffries)

Ryan (Kildee) Sewell (Beyer) Sires (Pallone) Spartz (Walorski) Suozzi (Beyer) Thompson (CA) (Takano) Timmons (Armstrong) Trone (Connolly) Underwood (Jeffries) Vargas (Correa) Vela (Gomez) Waltz (Gimenez) Waters (Takano) Yarmuth (Beyer) That mentality is bankrupting our great country, and we have been led into a political minefield. It is a display of pure weakness and an absolute disgrace.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 6181

Ms. STRICKLAND. Madam Speaker, I hereby remove my name as cosponsor of H.R. 6181.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. MANNING). The gentlewoman's request is accepted.

ENHANCING SOCIAL SECURITY

(Mr. LARSON of Connecticut asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Madam Speaker, I am here to commend Chairman NEAL and the Racial Equity Initiative headed by TERRI SEWELL, STEVE HORSFORD, and JIMMY GOMEZ, and also to recognize JOYCE BEATTY, for the work that they have done in bringing forward the inequity that has existed in this country for far too long.

More than 5 million of our fellow Americans get below poverty-level checks from Social Security because the Congress of the United States has not done anything to enhance Social Security in more than 50 years.

Whom does that affect the most? It affects women of color and women specifically—people who held jobs who weren't earning the same kind of salary or wages and people who were caregivers at home for their children.

Help is on the way. Social Security 2100 is coming to the floor, and finally, millions of Americans who get below poverty-level checks after having worked all their lives and paid into a system are going to get what they richly deserve.

$\begin{array}{c} \text{AMERICA DESERVES ENERGY} \\ \text{FREEDOM} \end{array}$

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, the American people are asking one simple question: Why does the Biden administration hate energy freedom in America?

They have asked that question every time they have gone to the gas station and seen prices skyrocketing. Now, they are asking that question as this administration is falling to its knees and begging Iran for a nuclear deal. Sacrificing our geopolitical leverage by appealing to our enemies is appalling, and it is the last thing that should ever be considered.

Madam Speaker, this administration would rather be awarded a participation trophy than dig in and fight to put American interests first.

HONORING THE LIFE OF INGEBORG HEUSER

(Ms. ESCOBAR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. ESCOBAR. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor the life of Ingeborg Heuser, who passed away after a lifetime in the arts.

Ingeborg immigrated to the United States from Germany after World War II, arriving to El Paso in 1953 as the wife of a servicemember.

As a classical ballet dancer, she opened her first studio that year and became ballet director of the Texas Western Civic Ballet. Over the next 47 years, she would establish and direct Ballet El Paso, Ballet of the Americas, and the University of Texas El Paso ballet. Thousands of students passed through her studio doors, and countless audience members were exposed to a wide range of classical ballet through her service.

Her cross-border collaborations with companies in Europe, Mexico, and Latin America contributed to the exchange of international artistic endeavors, including the first U.S.-Mexico repertory exchange in 1977.

Madam Speaker, we have lost one of El Paso's shining stars, a trailblazer of the arts for our region. I ask you to join me in paying tribute to the life of Ingeborg Heuser. May her legacy and commitment to the arts continue to be an inspiration to us all.

$\begin{array}{c} \text{HONORING THE LIFE OF JOEL} \\ \text{WILLIAMS} \end{array}$

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the life of Joel Williams.

Joel was born December 19, 1942, in the family farm kitchen in Dacula, Georgia. Unlike many children nowadays, Joel grew up without electricity and indoor plumbing, learning to read by kerosene lamps.

His drive and determination revealed themselves early as he earned valedictorian honors at Dacula High School and graduated magna cum laude from Shorter College. He then went on to attend Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University where he was the first honor graduate of the class of 1967

Joel began his legal career as an assistant attorney general of the State of Georgia under Arthur K. Bolton. He then left Washington for Savannah in 1971 to become vice president and chief compliance officer for Savannah Foods

and Industries. During this time, he met his wife of 25 years, M'Liss Gurney Williams, and had two beautiful daughters.

Joel committed his life to political and community service. Through all of his achievements, Joel was most proud of his daughters and grandchildren. Joel was a loving and devoted father. The children he raised and grandchildren he loved will forever remember the man Joel was throughout his life.

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UKRAINE NEEDS OUR HELP

(Ms. KAPTUR asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, I rise tonight to call attention to the continuing horror being unleashed in Ukraine by the treacherous tyrant Vladimir Putin, a pitiful creature of darkness.

Forty-four million freedom-loving Ukrainians deserve to live in peace and freedom. They voted for liberty, 90 percent of them. They have done nothing to Putin. They pose no threat to Russia.

Putin invaded a sovereign nation and is committing war crimes against civilians. He is creating a humanitarian crisis flooding across Europe. The trains aren't big enough to haul all of the people seeking peace.

In the 11 days since he invaded, and since 2014, he has murdered hundreds of Ukrainians, in addition to the 14,000 Russians killed in Ukraine, and over 1.5 million have fled across the border into neighboring countries.

The American people are opening their hearts with humanitarian aid, but the free world must help provide more fighter jets, Javelins, Stingers, small arms, ammunition, body armor, and air defense.

Ukraine is the scrimmage line for liberty in Europe. Here, at the beginning of the 21st century, liberty requires vigilance for Ukraine.

$\begin{array}{c} \text{CONGRATULATING KENNETH} \\ \text{BURKETT} \end{array}$

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Kenneth Burkett, a Jefferson County resident, for receiving the Crabtree Award from the Society for American Archaeology.

This award is given annually to an outstanding avocational archaeologist in remembrance of Don Crabtree. Mr. Crabtree brought experimental archaeology to prominence.

Recipients of the Crabtree Award are archaeologists who have contributed to advance the understanding of local, regional, and national archaeology through excavation, research, publication, site preservation, or collections preservation, all in collaboration with the professional community or public outreach.

This award is well deserved for Kenneth, as he has spent his career conducting archaeological research and excavations in western Pennsylvania, focusing on the lifeways of prehistoric Native Americans who once lived in the Redbank Creek watershed.

Kenneth is currently the executive director of the Jefferson County History Center as well as a field associate with the Carnegie Museum of Natural History. He spends time working closely with the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology 29th Chapter, located in North Fork.

Kenneth has a true passion for bringing our history to life and sharing the artifacts of the people who walked this Earth before us.

Once again, I want to congratulate Kenneth on this well-deserved accomplishment.

RECOGNIZING WGY RADIO STATION ON ITS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

(Mr. TONKO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks)

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize New York's Capital Region radio station, WGY, on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

Through decades of informing and entertaining Capital Region listeners, WGY has long stood as a pillar of the Schenectady community.

This pioneering station, established by engineers at General Electric in 1922, has spent a century at the forefront of innovations in radio technology.

From conducting the first two-way radio transmission to England to being one of the first two radio stations to broadcast baseball's World Series, WGY has played a key role in establishing New York's Capital District as a global and national hub for technological advancement.

I extend my warm congratulations to everyone at WGY for reaching this historic milestone. Throughout its first 100 years, the station has connected with listeners through its talented and revered hosts.

Here is to many more successful years delivering powerful stories and quality news to our communities. Congratulations to WGY.

PUTIN'S WAR ATROCITIES

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, the murderous Putin's war on Ukraine is criminal.

I am grateful that America and our NATO allies are unified to support Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelensky and the Ukrainian people.

I have faith in the Russian people, who I have met on numerous visits across Russia, that they will reject Putin's war atrocities. A nation of world-significant art, music, and literature can change, and that is why I am introducing a bill to encourage Russian military defectors with immediate refugee status in America, with up to \$100,000 for any Russian military equipment transferred to Ukraine. Putin betrays the troops to death.

Additionally, I will introduce a bill for a bust of President Volodymyr Zelensky to be placed in the U.S. Capitol, as is the bust of Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Churchill was the wartime leader of World War II, and Zelensky is the wartime leader in Putin's war.

God bless Ukraine. God save Ukraine. Long live Volodymyr Zelensky.

RECOGNIZING SANDRA NOE

(Mr. MRVAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MRVAN. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to celebrate Women's History Month and recognize Sandra Noe, Executive Director of Meals on Wheels in northwest Indiana.

Sandra has worked with Meals on Wheels for 36 years to combat senior isolation and hunger.

As the demand for services increased over the past year during the COVID-19 pandemic, Meals on Wheels rose to the challenge and delivered over 1,700 meals daily, provided over 750,000 wellness checks, and celebrated its nine-millionth delivery.

Madam Speaker, as we recognize Women's History Month, please join me in thanking Sandra and everyone at Meals on Wheels for the extraordinary services they provide to northwest Indiana.

Let us recommit to continuing to support their invaluable work and recognize this month and every day the invaluable ways that women continue to provide healing and promote hope, not just in caregiving, but in all aspects of our society.

BIDEN'S ENERGY CRISIS

(Mr. ROSE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROSE. Madam Speaker, this past weekend, on my way to a military medal presentation in Crossville, Tennessee, I stopped to fill my SUV with gas. Like many Americans, I was shocked to have to pay nearly \$4 a gallon for gasoline.

Putin's invasion of Ukraine has no doubt made this situation worse, but our skyrocketing gas prices are primarily due to President Biden's reversal of President Trump's highly suc-

cessful energy policies that had oil and gas production high, gas pump prices low, had created hundreds of thousands of new energy jobs, and had created an energy-independent United States for the first time in decades.

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Instead of admitting this mistake, ending the freeze on new oil and gas projects, and stopping the regulatory assault on new energy projects in the United States, the Biden administration has reportedly been secretly meeting with Venezuela and its corrupt authoritarian regime to discuss the possible lifting of sanctions against importing Venezuelan oil.

We currently purchase more than half a million barrels of oil a day from Russia, which needs to stop immediately. Instead of replacing Russian oil with equally nefarious Venezuelan oil, why not re-create those jobs here in America.

HONORING CANDICE EBERHARDT

(Ms. BROWN of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BROWN of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Candice Eberhardt, who recently made history by becoming the first Black woman to lead the Akron-Cleveland Association of Realtors, also known as ACAR, across its 100-year existence.

Throughout her 20 years in realty, Ms. Eberhardt has held many titles: youngest minority real estate broker in Akron, emerging leader, and entrepreneur. Now, she adds one more: glass ceiling breaker.

I am most grateful for the ways Ms. Eberhardt gives back to our community. She helps to develop young agents. She speaks to community groups about homeownership. She has held key roles in local government. She serves as the Akron NAACP housing chair, and she mentors high school students.

Through her impressive career and considerable contributions, Ms. Eberhardt has paved a path that more Black women in northeast Ohio will follow. I would like to congratulate Ms. Eberhardt on her new role and thank her for serving as a trailblazer, a change-maker, and a role model in northeast Ohio.

CALIFORNIA'S HIGH GAS PRICES

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Madam Speaker, today, the national average for a gallon of gas is a little over \$4—\$4.06 to be exact. Meanwhile, in my home State of California, the average gas price per gallon all across our State is \$5.34. For the first time ever, the average gas price per gallon is over \$5 in every single California county.

Now, I know California brings a lot of pain upon itself, self-inflicted, but I